

# Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs



**Vet News:** Week of Sept. 12, 2013

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## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### ***Stars and Stripes Scramble Sept. 23***

Gwatney Chevrolet will host the 6th Annual STARS AND STRIPES 4 MAN SCRAMBLE on Sept. 23 at Southern Oaks Country Club. The scramble benefits the Jacksonville Museum of Military History. For more information contact Danna Kay Dugger at 501-241-1943.

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### ***POW/MIA Ceremony Set Sept. 27***

A ceremony honoring former prisoners of war (POW) and those service members still missing in action (MIA) is Sept. 27 at 11 a.m. in the Recreation Center at the Eugene J. Towbin Healthcare Center, 2200 Fort Roots Drive, North Little Rock, AR, 72114. The annual event is organized by Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System and the Little Rock VA Regional Office (VARO) in observance of National POW/MIA Day. This year's guest speaker is Chaplain, Major General (Ret) Douglas Carver, former Chief of Chaplains for the U.S. Army.

Since World War I, more than 142,000 Americans, including 83 women, have been captured and interned as POWs. Only about one third of former POWs are still living, 90 percent of whom were captured and interned during World War II. These numbers do not include more than 83,400 Americans who are missing and have never been recovered.

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### ***9-11 Documentary Ongoing at Laman Library***

"Recovery: The World Trade Center Recovery Operation" will begin showing on Friday, Sept. 6 and run through Dec. 1, at the Laman Library Exhibit Hall. The film will examine the historic effort to locate human remains, personal objects and material evidence from the collapse of the World Trade Center Towers on Sept. 11, 2001. Visit [www.LamanLibrary.org](http://www.LamanLibrary.org) or call (501) 758-1720.

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### **2013 Hiring Our Heroes Veterans Event Set Oct. 1**

The 2013 Hiring Our Heroes Veterans Event will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Little Rock at the Statehouse Convention Center, 101 East Markham Street, on Tuesday, Oct. 1. A workshop for Veterans and other military job seekers that focuses on resume writing, tips for successfully navigating hiring fairs, military skill translation, and interviewing will start at 9 a.m. To register for the Hiring Our Heroes Employment Workshop, visit [www.hohworks.eventbrite.com](http://www.hohworks.eventbrite.com). For registration questions, please contact us at [hiringourheroes@uschamber.com](mailto:hiringourheroes@uschamber.com) or call 202-463-5807.

### **COUNTY ADVA NEWS**

- **Little River County** is currently in transition. Please note contact information is subject to change. Updates will follow shortly.

### ***Veteran's Benefit Seminar Planned for October***

Craighead County Veterans Service Office will host a Veteran's Benefit Seminar on Saturday, Oct. 19, at the St. Bernard's Auditorium, 505 East Washington Ave. in Jonesboro, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Representatives from ADVA and the Arkansas State Cemetery in Birdeye will attend.

The Auditorium will seat 400 people, and all counties and Veterans are invited to attend. For more information, contact Vermalene Smith at [vsmith@craigheadcounty.org](mailto:vsmith@craigheadcounty.org).

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

#### **Sept. 13**

- Support the Troops Golf Scramble at Stonelinks NLR. Details at [www.ArkansasFreedomFund.org](http://www.ArkansasFreedomFund.org)
- Airlift/Tanker Association & Order of the Daedalions 4-person scramble, Deer Run Golf Course/LRAFB, \$40 entry fee; Contact [ata@arkansas.gmail.com](mailto:ata@arkansas.gmail.com) for details.

#### **Sept. 15**

American Flag Retirement Ceremony on Sept. 15 at 2 p.m. at Woolly Hollow State Park (Greenbrier) at the Flag Pole

#### **Set. 16-21**

Northeast Arkansas District Fair — Jonesboro.

#### **Sept. 20**

- Sixth Annual Brad Marshall Memorial Golf Tournament, Hurricane Golf and Country Club, online registration and information available at <http://www.myherobrad.com/>
- DHS Food for Thought Unity Fair, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., War Memorial Stadium, featuring food truck vendors, community booths and entertainment.

- A ceremony honoring former prisoners of war (POW) and those service members still missing in action (MIA), 11 a.m., Veterans Healthcare System of the Ozarks (VHSO), Fayetteville, AR Building 4 auditorium.

#### Sept. 21

37<sup>th</sup> Annual Sherwood Fest, Sherwood Forest, 9 a.m. -dark, food, activities, fireworks planned. For more information, see <http://www.ci.sherwood.ar.us>

#### Sept. 28

Thunder Across the River — a parade to promote public awareness of the 83,000 unaccounted for POWs and MIAs since WWII, including six members of our Military and Department of Defense personnel currently unaccounted for during the ongoing conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq.

For more information, contact Rolling Thunder President Paul “Doc” Niehaus at (501)658-9318 or online at [www.facebook.com/RTCHAP1ARK](http://www.facebook.com/RTCHAP1ARK)  
<http://rollingthunderchap1ark.com>

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#### Oct. 7

Glenwood Freedom Fest Golf Scramble at Glenwood Golf Course. Details at [www.ArkansasFreedomFund.org](http://www.ArkansasFreedomFund.org)

#### Oct. 10

Arkansas Veterans Home Task Force, 10 a.m., Rm. 149, Arkansas State Capitol

#### Oct. 12

- The [Arkansas Challenge Warrior Bike Ride](#) at the Clinton Center. Registration opens at 7 a.m., and the ride starts at 8:15 a.m.
- 35th Annual Retirees Appreciation Day - Little Rock Air Force Base Thomas Community Activity Center 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- The Central Arkansas Chapter of MOAA's Oktoberfest, LRAFB, Hanger 1080 at. For reservations, send a check for \$15 per person to cover the cost of the meal to CACMOAA, P.O. Box 5046, Jacksonville, AR, 72078, no later than Oct. 8. If you have any questions you can call COL TP Williams at 501-758-6885 or e-mail him at [CACMOAA@aol.com](mailto:CACMOAA@aol.com)

#### Oct. 17

Commanders' Briefing, 10 a.m., Veterans Health Care System of the Ozarks, Fayetteville, AR Auditorium, Bldg. 3

#### Oct. 18

A Holocaust Education Conference will be held Oct. 18, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Siloam Springs. The event will be held at John Brown University.

Topic of the conference is "Hitler's German Players." World War II Veterans who might be able to attend the conference are encouraged to contact Thelma Tarver at [ttarver0@gmail.com](mailto:ttarver0@gmail.com) or Steve Gray, State Military and Veterans Liaison, Office of Senator John Boozman at (479) 725 0400.

#### Oct. 19

Craighead County Veteran's Benefit Seminar, St. Bernard's Auditorium, 505 East Washington Ave. in Jonesboro, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The Auditorium will seat 400 people, and all counties and Veterans are invited to attend. For more information, contact Vermalene Smith at [vsmith@craigheadcounty.org](mailto:vsmith@craigheadcounty.org).

#### Oct 26

The Glenwood Freedom Festival and Parade in Glenwood.

#### Nov. 1

The 2013 Induction Ceremony and banquet for the Arkansas Military Veterans Hall of Fame is set from 6-9 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in Little Rock. More information is available at [www.amvhof.org](http://www.amvhof.org). Nominations will be accepted through Aug.31.

#### Nov. 9

8th Annual Military Ball - Jonesboro; St. Bernard's Auditorium, 505 East Washington Ave., 6 p.m. Tickets sold individually or by table (Seating for 8). Tables are \$250 each, individual \$40 each. Ticket sales will end Oct. 25, 2013. Contact Bob Schoenborn 870-934-8792 or Vermalene Smith 870-219-6204.

#### Nov. 11

- Little Rock Veterans Day Ceremony - State Capitol Rotunda; Little Rock 11 a.m.
- North Little Rock Veterans Day Ceremony – North Little Rock Veterans Memorial located in Laman Plaza, 2801 Orange Street, 2 p.m.
- Veterans' Day ceremony, 11 a.m., Veterans' Health Care System of the Ozarks, Fayetteville, AR, Auditorium, Bldg. 3

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